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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

SIR:

Prior to the examination of the divisional patent application identified above, please amend this application as follows:

In the Specification before line 1, add-- This application is a divisional application of U.S.

Application Serial No. 09/313,067 of Schreiber et al., filed May 17, 1999.

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1-11 and 19-26. For the Examiner's convenience, the remaining claims are set forth below:

12. A method for limiting the operational life of software in a network environment, the method comprising:
providing a software application with an associated password to a client via a network;